

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/024,869	ZIMMER ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Steven D. Maki	1733	

All Participants:

(1) Steven D. Maki.

(2) Richard O'Planick.

Status of Application: _____

(3) _____

(4) _____

Date of Interview: 19 April 2006

Time: _____

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

103

Claims discussed:

1, 16, 17

Prior art documents discussed:

art of record

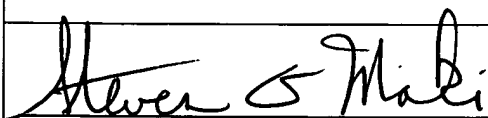
Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


 (Examiner/SPE Signature)

 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: On 4-19-06, examiner proposed amending claims 1, 16, and 17 to include allowable subject matter. In particular, examiner proposed making the following amendment: In claim 1 line 8, after "the second side (2)" insert "--having a convex surface extending from and--". Examiner noted that support is found in figure 3 and paragraph 26 on page 4 of the specification. Examiner commented that the prior art suggests concave instead of convex. On 4-20-06, applicant's representative informed examiner that the proposal is not acceptable. .